Poulton-le-Fylde Urban District Council

MINISTRY OF HEALTH LIBRARY

THE ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

AND THE

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR 1965

Poulton-le-Fylde Urban District Council

THE ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

AND THE

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR 1965

POULTON-LE-FYLDE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

HEALTH COMMITTEE

1965

Chairman

Councillor H. W. Rodgers

Vice Chairman

Councillor R. N. Jackson
(To May, 1965)

Councillor B. L. MacGregor
(From May, 1965)

Councillors:

L. D'A. Grandella	Chairman of the Council
R. N. Jackson	Vice Chairman of the Council
Mrs. C. M. A. Abbott	(To May, 1965)
J. Alderson	
A. Bennett	
K. Bradshaw	
J. H. Corscadden	
L. W. Davies	
R. Eastham	(To May, 1965)
R. Furness	(From May, 1965)
J. Halliwell	
F. Lofthouse	
E. Mellalieu	
C. F. Stebbing	
H. Taylor	(From May, 1965)

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF

Medical Officer of Health	C. Robertson Wilson, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., (EDIN). (Retired August, 1965)
	J. E. Morris, B.Sc., M.B., B.Ch., D.C.H., D.P.H., D.I.H. (Commenced August, 1965) Divisional Medical Officer of Health, Divisional Health Offices, 29 Station Road, Kirkham. Tel: Kirkham 2138/9
Deputy Medical Officer of Health	E. A. R. Berkley, T.D., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.
Public Health Inspector	J. A. Lofthouse, M.A.P.H.I., Certified Meat Inspector.
Administrative Assistant	Miss A. Jolly

COUNCIL OFFICERS

Clerk of the Council	A. Senior, F.C.C.S., A.A.C.C.A. (To October, 1965)
Deputy Clerk of the Council	N. Riley, A.C.I.S.
Engineer and Surveyor	T. D. Manning, M.I. Mun. E., M.R.S.H.

Public Health Department,

1 Church Street,

Poulton-le-Fylde.

Mr. Chairman & Gentlemen,

I have much pleasure in submitting the report on the work of the Health Department during 1965.

In August, Dr. C. Robertson Wilson, retired from the position of Medical Officer of Health to the Urban District and I took up my appointment. I would like to thank the Council and the Officers for the warm welcome accorded to me when I took up my new duties.

The health of the area remained satisfactory during the year, as an examination of the vital statistics will show.

During the summer, sixty two cases of Paratyphoid Fever were notified. All the cases were following the consumption of untreated milk which had become infected with the organism. That the outbreak did not take on the proportions of a major disaster was due solely to the fact that the organism responsible happened to be of a mild variety. The lesson to be learnt from this outbreak, is that the only milk that is really safe to drink is milk that has been properly heat treated.

Yours faithfully,

J. E. Morris,

Medical Officer of Health

STATISTICS

Poulton-le-Fylde is bounded on the North by Thornton-Cleveleys Urban District, on the East and South by the Parishes of Singleton and Hardhorn-with-Newton and on the West by Blackpool County Borough.

The Council of the District is formed by three representatives from each of the following five wards:-

Poulton North Poulton East

Poulton West

Hardhorn Carleton

The District is principally residential in character. Employment is provided by the Imperial Chemical Industries, the building trades, agriculture, and the several light industries on the industrial estates.

Estimated Population for mid 1965	15,200
Population (1961 Census)	12,600
Number of inhabited houses according to the Rate Book at the end of 1965	5,500
Area of the District in Acres	2,272
Rateable Value	£588,049
Sum representated by a penny rate	£2,400

BIRTHS

241 Births were registered during the year. 129 males and 112 females. The birth rate was 16.2 per 1,000 population. There were 7 illegitimate births and 4 stillbirths.

CORRECTED BIRTH RATES OF RECENT YEARS

Year	Rate	No. of Births
1961	15.4	197
1962	16.5	245
1963	18.7	257
1964	17.5	257
1965	16.2	241

Infantile Mortality Rate

	Poulton-le-Fylde	England & Wales
Infant Mortality Rate	4.1	19. 0
Neo-natal Mortality Rate	4.1	13. 0
Stillbirth Rate	16.3	15. 7
Maternal Mortality Rate	NIL	0.25

Deaths

Males	Females	Total
91	94	185

The crude death rate was 12.2 per 1,000 population
The adjusted death rate was 12.2 per 1,000 population
(Area Comparability Factor 1.00)

Deaths and Death Rates of Recent Years

Year	Rate	Deaths
1961	15.3	159
1962	17.7	187
1963	12.5	176
1964	11.9	173
1965	12.2	185

Age Groups

The table shows the arrangements of deaths in the age groups

Age group	Males	Females	Total
Under 1 yr.	-	1	1
1 - 5	-	1	1
6 - 15	2	2	4
16 - 25	-	2	2
26 - 35	1	1	2
36 - 45	7	5	12
46 - 55	19	12	31
56 - 65	29	25	54
66 and over	33	45	78
Total	91	94	185

CAUSES OF DEATH

Cause	Males	Females	Total
Tuberculosis, Respiratory	2	-	2
Syphilitic Disease...	1	-	1
Other Infective and Parasitic diseases...	-	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	11	1	12
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	-	5	5
Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms	8	12	20
Leukaemia and Aleukaemia	-	1	1
Diabetes...	-	2	2
Vascular lesions of Nervous System	9	12	21
Coronary disease, Angina	24	14	38
Hypertension with heart disease	2	1	3
Other heart disease	7	9	16
Other circulatory disease	3	3	6
Pneumonia	1	6	7
Bronchitis	6	2	8
Other diseases of Respitatory System	1	1	2
Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	1	-	1
Hyperplasia of Prostate...	1	-	1
Congenital malformations	-	1	1
Other defined and ill-defined diseases...	8	21	29
Motor vehicle accidents	2	2	4
All other accidents	4	-	4
	91	94	185

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

274 cases of infectious diseases were notified during the year as follows:-

Scarlet Fever	26 Cases were notified. There were 16 in 1964.
Whooping Cough	No cases were notified. There were none the previous year.
Measles	There were 142 cases during 1965. There were 72 cases the previous year. A comparison of the following figures will show the incidence of the disease in the foregoing ten years.

1955	48 cases	1960	36 cases
1956	9 cases	1961	72 cases
1957	240 cases	1962	242 cases
1958	NONE	1963	347 cases
1959	155 cases	1964	72 cases

Diphtheria	No cases were notified. There were none the previous year.
Dysentry	41 cases were notified. There was 1 the previous year. The majority of cases occurred at a school in Carleton. The epidemic was the cause of a great deal of work, in making enquiries, collecting specimens, recording and visiting, and the Department was once again incapable of dealing with the outbreak even by working out of hours, and it was necessary to arrange for Health Visitors from the Clinic to assist, this was greatly appreciated.
Acute Pneumonia	No cases were notified. There were none the previous year.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES (Cont.)

Paratyphoid Fever	62 Cases of infection with Paratyphoid Fever were formally notified. All these cases occurred during an outbreak of mild infection due to the consumption of untreated milk from a farm outside the district. A considerable amount of work was involved in the follow up and investigation of cases and contacts.
Tuberculosis	There was 1 case of Pulmonary Tuberculosis notified during the year. There were 4 the previous year. The Regional Hospital Board is responsible mainly for the diagnosis and treatment of Tuberculosis, and the County Council for the prevention and control of the disease. A Tuberculosis Health Visitor is employed by the County Council and based at the Poulton-le-Fylde Clinic. Hospital and Chest facilities are provided by the Blackpool and Fylde Hospital Management Committee.

CONTROL OF NOTIFIABLE INFECTIOUS DISEASES

A thorough investigation is made on the occurrence of a case of a notifiable disease, and where necessary specimens of faeces or vomit are collected and forwarded to the Laboratory for analysis.

Disinfectant fluid is issued to cases of infectious diseases; and terminal disinfection by fumigation is carried out, when necessary.

TABLE OF CASES OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

1965

Notifiable Diseases	Total Cases at all Ages	Age Periods - Years									
		0-	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-	10-	15-25	Over 25	Age Unknown
Measles	142	4	14	28	23	29	41	1	1	-	1
Para Typhoid Fever	62	1	4	6	-	1	3	6	8	26	7
Sonne Dysentery	41	1	3	2	2	5	15	2	-	11	-
Scarlet Fever	26	-	-	1	4	4	14	1	1	-	1
Acute Poliomyletis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Erysipelas	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-

VITAL STATISTICS

Live Births

Number	241
Rate per 1,000 population (adjusted)	16.2
Illegitimate live births as a per cent of the total live births	3%

Stillbirths

Number	4
Rate per 1,000 total live and stillbirths	16.3
Total live and stillbirths	245

Infant Deaths (Deaths under 1 year)

Infant Mortality Rates

Total infant deaths under the age of 12 months per 1,000 total livebirths.	4.1
Perinatal mortality rate (stillbirths and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live and stillbirths).	20.4
Early neo-natal mortality rate (deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births).	4.1
Neo-natal mortality rate (deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 total live births)	4.1

Maternal Mortality (Including Abortion)

Number of Deaths	NIL
Rate per 1,000 total live and stillbirths	NIL

AMBULANCE FACILITIES

The Lancashire County Council administers the ambulance service.

The nearest ambulance station is at Thornton and ambulances for Poulton-le-Fylde are obtained from this station, or from Fleetwood.

At Thornton two dual ambulance vehicles and two cars are on call; an ambulance and car are available at Fleetwood.

The service is maintained on a 24 hour basis at Fleetwood, and a 16 hour basis at Thornton.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT 1948 - SECTION 47

There were no persons removed to hospital or other institutions, as allowed for by the compulsary powers of the above Act.

HOSPITALS

There is no hospital situated in the district

General cases are admitted to Blackpool Victoria and Wesham Park Hospitals under the control of the Blackpool and Fylde Hospital Management Committee.

The Devonshire Hospital, Blackpool, is used for infectious disease cases; Tuberculosis cases use the Elswick Sanatorium, and smallpox cases go to the Ainsworth Smallpox Hospital near Bury, which is under the management of the Manchester Regional Hospital Board.

BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION

Facilities for the examination of material in suspected cases of Diptheria, Dysentery, Typhoid Fever, Tuberculosis, Food Poisoning, etc., are available to all Medical Practioners, at the Public Health Laboratory, Preston, Blackpool Victoria Hospital and Elswick Sanatorium, and a full use is made of these facilities by this Department.

MEDICAL STAFF OF THE CLINIC

Dr. J. L. T. Graham	Assistant Divisional Medical Officer, Lancashire County Council.
Mrs. R. Bevan	Health Visitor and School Nurse
Miss L. Gilbert	Health Visitor and School Nurse
Miss D. Higham	Health Visitor and School Nurse
Miss P. Worden	Health Visitor and School Nurse
Mrs. K. Wynnard	Health Visitor and School Nurse
Mrs. J. H. Mallandaine, 30 Moorway, Poulton-le-Fylde. Tel: Poulton 3528	Midwife
Mrs. R. A. Ronson, 18 Fylde Road, Poulton-le-Fylde. Tel: Poulton 2529	District Nurse
Miss M. Beswick, 27 Wembley Avenue, Poulton-le-Fylde. Tel: Poulton 2986	District Nurse
Miss M. W. Lawson	Tuberculosis Health Visitor

COUNTY COUNCIL HEALTH SERVICES AVAILABLE IN POULTON-LE-FYLDE

The School and Child Welfare Clinic in Princess Avenue, Poulton-le-Fylde, provides the following services at the times shown.

Clinic	Times
Antenatal	Tuesday from 1.30 p.m.
Antenatel Relaxation Classes	Fridays 10.45 a.m.
Child Welfare	Wednesday 10 a.m. - 12 noon and 1 - 4 p.m.
Chiropody for Old Age Pensioners	Monday and Thursday 9.30 a.m. - 12 noon, and 1.30 p.m. - 1.30 p.m.
Expectant and Nursing Mothers	Alternate Fridays 0.30 a.m. - 12 noon.
Dental	Monday 9.30 a.m. - 12 noon, and 2 p.m. - 4.30 p.m.
School Clinic by Ap ointment	Thursday 10 a.m. - 12 noon
Speech Therapy	Tuesday 10 a.m. - 12 noon, and Thursday 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

In addition, on alternate Monday afternoons a Child Welfare Clinic is held between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m., at the Carleton Memorial Centre.

WATER SUPPLY

The Fylde Water Board, of which Poulton-le-Fylde is a constituent authority, provides a plentiful and excellent supply of water from their gathering grounds at Grisedale and Stocks.

During 1965, new connections were made to 169 new houses and bungalows from the public mains supply.

A total of 5,651 houses were supplied from public mains at the end of the year.

SAMPLING

Sampling

9 samples of tap water were taken, for examination at the Public Health Laboratory, these were obtained from various addresses in the district.

8 of the samples were satisfactory, 1 proved to be unsatisfactory.

HOUSING CONDITIONS

The standard of housing in the district is good, the district having a high proportion of new properties. A number of the older houses are unfit and will require attention under the Housing Acts.

The majority of minor housing defects discovered were remedied by informal action.

Private Building

During the year, 169 houses were erected and more families from outside areas became resident in Poulton-le-Fylde.

DWELLINGS ERECTED DURING 1965

WARDS

NORTH			EAST			WEST			CARLETON			HARDHORN			TOTAL
H	F	B	H	F	B	H	F	B	H	F	B	H	F	B	
-	-	3	5	24	2	8	-	4	3	-	18	33	-	69	169

DRAINAGE AND SEWAGE

Sewage continued to be discharged into the River Wyre on the Ebb Tide.

Readings of the flow of sewage passing through the pumping station, were taken on a continuous recorder.

SUMMARY OF REPORT

Population	15,200 an increase of 530 on the population figure for 1964
Births	241 births registered
Birth Rate	16.2 per 1,000 population
Average, England and Wales	18.1 per 1,000 population
Deaths	185 deaths registered
Death Rate	12.2 per 1,000 population
Average, England and Wales	11.5 per 1,000 population
Infectious Diseases	274 cases of Infectious Diseases were notified.
Housing	169 New houses, flats and bungalows were erected.
Water Supply	9 samples obtained
Sewerage	Readings of the flow of sewage discharged into the River Wyre were taken.

Public Health Department,

1 Church Street,

Poulton-le-Fylde.

Mr. Chairman & Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting the Annual Report of the Public Health and Housing Department, for the year 1965.

At the end of this year, Mr. J. A. Lofthouse, who has worked as Public Health Inspector to this Council since 1956, resigned his position, and has now taken up a new position with a neighbouring authority. I am sure we all wish him every success.

During the year, it does appear that there has been little opportunity to carry out any of the provisions of the new enactments, which are now the responsibility of this Department, and in certain cases, the enforcement provisions of older legislation has also not been possible. This has probably been due to staffing problems in the Department, and no doubt the situation was further hindered by the outbreak of Paratyphoid Fever which occurred during the months of July to November. The outbreak involved sixty-two cases within the district, and the Department was worked to the full on the investigation of cases and contacts. The infection was traced to the consumption of untreated milk being retailed in this district from a farm outside the area.

In conclusion, this is the last Annual Report of the work of the Department under the direction of Mr. J. A. Lofthouse, and he again wishes to accord his thanks to the Chairman of the Health Committee, and the Council for the co-operation he has received from them, not only this year, but throughout the years of his service with this Council.

Yours faithfully,

Edward L. Cobb,

Public Health Inspector.

INSPECTION OF THE DISTRICT

SANITARY INSPECTIONS

2,948 visits were made to premises within the district, 925 being in relation to meat inspection made at the local slaughter-houses.

SANITARY ACCOMMODATION

The following list shows the numbers and types of the various sanitary arrangements in the district at 31st December, 1965, and those for the previous year.

	1964	1965
Water closets	5,865	6,030
Pail closets	3	3
Privies	4	4
Movable dustbins	5,940	6,300

ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS ACT, 1963

This Act, requiring the registration of premises used for boarding animals was applied to two establishments.

One is used for dogs and cats, and the other for cats only. Both premises comply with the Council's requirements, the animals receive good individual attention and the hygiene is good.

RODENT AND INSECT PESTS

One trained operative is employed, part-time on the eradication of rats and mice; various methods are used and such poisons as, zinc phosphides, arsenic and warfarin are available for use.

INSPECTIONS AND TREATMENT UNDERTAKEN

Type of Premises	Number of Inspections	Number of Treatment Visits
Dwelling Houses	72	106
Business Premises	7	8
Local Authority Property	36	23
Total	115	137

DISINFESTATION

The infestations dealt with during the year were for, cockroaches, flies, fleas, ants and wasps.

D.D.T. in liquid, powder or smoke form were all used with good results, and follow up treatments were not found to be necessary.

DISINFESTATION VISITS (INSECT PESTS)

Number of houses found to be infested	38
Number of houses disinfested	38

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

The cleansing service is under the control of the Enginner and Surveyor, who supplied the following information.

Collection of Refuse

This was effected by means of 2 covered vehicles working full-time 40 hrs

Disposal

Domestic refuse was deposited on an area of re-claimed land behind an embankment at Skippool Marsh. During 1965 approximately 6,140 dustbins were emptied every week.

Details of Service

Total number of bins emptied	319,365
Weight of refuse collected	6,088 tons
Cost of collection and disposal	£12,560
Weight of salvage sold	161 tons
Value	£1,289
Cost of baling	£981

Road Sweeping

The Council's workmen swept approximately 1,650 miles of highway during the year. A mechanical sweeper (suction cleaner) was in operation.

COUNCIL HOUSES

Lettings

During 1965, the following allocations were made by the Housing Sub-Committee.

8 houses	3 bungalows
5 flats	7 flatlets

The Committee also agreed to established tenants transferring to other Council premises in one case.

Register of Applications

Seventy-four new applications were made for housing during 1965. At 31st December, 1965, the total number of applications made for Council Accommodation was as follows.

3 bedroom houses.....	11 applications
2 Bedroom houses	58 applications
Flatlets	76 applications
Bungalows	30 applications
	175

In addition, a total of fifty-five applications have been received from persons residing outside the Poulton-le-Fylde area, seven forms were completed during the year from new applicants.

SPECIAL HOUSING ACCOMMODATION FOR THE AGED

The month of June, 1965, saw the opening of twenty-four old persons flats in Elizabeth Court. The twelve first floor dwellings are provided for the elderly people in general, and the twelve ground floor dwellings have been provided for the elderly in conjunction with the Lancashire County Council scheme for the aged, and each letting is in direct communication with the warden.

The scheme now appears to be running quite satisfactorily, and those elderly persons residing on the ground floor appear to be receiving the proper care and attention from the warden, as was envisaged by the scheme.

HOUSING

Number of new houses erected by private contractors during the year.	169
Number of houses erected by Local Authority	24

INSPECTION OF DWELLING HOUSES

(a)	Total number of dwellings inspected	22
(b)	Number of inspections made	40
(c)	Number of dwellings in (a) above, found to be not in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation, but capable of being rendered fit.	12
(d)	Total number of dwellings existing at the end of the year which were unfit for human habitation, and not capable, at reasonable expense, of being rendered fit, and in respect of which -	
	(i) Demolition Orders have been made	2
	(ii) Demolition or Closing Orders have not yet been made	13

HOUSES DEMOLISHED OR CLOSED

	Houses Demolished	Displaced during year	
		Persons	Families
In clearance areas			
(a) Houses unfit for habitation	-	-	-
(b) Houses included for bad arrangement	-	-	-
Not in clearance areas			
(c) As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 17 of the Housing Act, 1957	-	-	-
Houses closed under Housing Act, Sections 16(4), 17(1) & 35(1)	-	-	-

UNFIT HOUSES MADE FIT AND HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED

(a) After informal action by the Local Authority	-
(b) After formal notice under the Public Health Act	-

PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEMENT

	No. of Houses	No. of Occupants in Houses
Houses in clearance areas	-	-

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

Action during year	No. of Schemes	No. of Houses Affected
(a) Submitted by private individuals to the Local Authority	1	1
(b) Approved by the Local Authoruty	1	1
(c) Submitted by the Local Authority to the Ministry	-	-
(d) Finally approved by the Ministry	-	-
(e) Work completed	-	-

STANDARD GRANTS

Action during year	No. of Schemes	No. of Houses Affected
(a) Submitted to the Local Authority	12	12
(b) Approved by the Local Authority	12	12
(c) Work completed	8	8

CERTIFICATE OF DISREPAIR

Number of applications made	NIL
Number of Certificates issued.....	NIL
Applications made for the cancellation of Certificates	NIL
Number of undertakings given to carry out work	NIL

HOUSING INSPECTIONS

Certificates of Disrepair	NIL
Improvement Grants	38
Demolition Orders	-
Closing Orders	NIL
Housing Visits	36
Council House Visits	119

CAMPING SITES

Three caravan sites licensed under the provisions of the Caravan Sites Act, Control of developement Act, 1960, are at present in operation in the district.

Each caravan site is licensed for holiday use only i.e. during the period between May to October.

The total number of vans on the sites is 248.

There appears to be no breach of licence conditions during the year.

PADDLING POOL

During the year the childrens' paddling pool in the Jean Stansfield Memorial Park was in use.

A sterilizing agent was added to the water each time the pool was emptied and refilled, and samples were taken to check the cleanliness.

19 samples were taken, 12 were found to be satisfactory, and 7 unsatisfactory.

MEAT INSPECTION

The two private slaughterhouses were in use during the year. It was necessary during 1965, to carry out meat inspection duties in the evenings, on Saturdays and Sundays,

The number of animals inspected from the date of decontrol is shown below.

Year	No. of animals killed and inspected
1955	3154
1956	6482
1957	6857
1958	7039
1959	7462
1960	8509
1961	10292
1962	10164
1963	8136
1964	8038
1965	8272

Under the Meat Inspection Regulations of 1963, the Council are empowered to make a charge for the Meat Inspection Service, and for 1965, a sum of £280 1s. 6d., was received.

Slaughterhouse Visits	961
Number of animals slaughtered and inspected	8272
Weight of meat rejected as unfit	1 ton 18 cwt. 26 lbs.

At 31st December, 1965, 7 licenses had been issued by the Council enabling their holders to slaughter animals.

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle Excluding Cows	Cows	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Calves	Total
Number of animals killed and inspected	281	131	5228	2588	44	8272
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci						
Whole carcases condemned	-	-	7	11	2	18
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	21	11	134	229	1	396
Percentage of No. inspected affected with diseases other than Tuberculosis or Cysticerci	7.5	8.4	2.7	9.3	6.8	5.0
Tuberculosis						
Whole carcases condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	2	-	2
Percentage of No. inspected affected with Tuberculosis	-	-	-	0.08	-	0.02
Cysticercosis						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-	-

FOOD INSPECTIONS

Food surrendered by retail shops as unfit, was collected by the Department for disposal, the following list shows the amount and weight.

The reasons for rejection were various, being principally decomposition, mould growths, or blown, pierced or leaking tins.

The tins were taken to the Council's tip, and buried beneath domestic refuse.

Number of tins	Articles	lbs.	ozs.
1	Lambs Livers	1	10
1	Lambs Tongues		12
9	Cooked Ham	17	4
1	Shrimps		3½
3	Stewed Steak	2	15½
32	Tomatoes	21	13
18	Peaches	23	11
17	Pears	36	3
7	Grapefruit	8	5
2	Pineapple	2	2
2	Manderine Oranges	1	5
8	Chopped Pork	5	15
13	Corned Beef	15	-
3	Fruit Cocktail	2	-
2	Loganberries	1	4
2	Cream	1	-
9	Evaporated Milk	8	2
10	Baked Beans	5	8
1	Corn	-	7
9pks	Cheese	23	8
1	Strawberries	-	10
3	Rasberries	2	10
1	Mixed Vegetables	-	15
5	Creamed Rice	7	4
4	Apricots	3	4
1	Salmon	-	4
2	Garden Peas	-	14
1	Spagetti	1	-
1	Beef Curry	-	8
12	Sardines	2	13
3	Cherries	2	13
8	Kippers	1	12
1	Green Beans	-	10
3	Marmalade	3	8
1	Coffee	-	15
3	Meat Loaf	7	4
1	Prunes	3	14
1	Carrots	-	4
		230	12

SAMPLING

The Food and Drugs Authority for the Poulton-le-Fylde area is the Lancashire County Council, and the following information has been kindly supplied by Dr. S. C. Gawne, the County Medical Officer of Health.

A total of 75 samples were obtained, comprising of 39 milks (of which 3 were Channel Islands milk) and 36 others as follows:-

1 Gelatine
1 Boric Acid Powder B.P.
1 Malt Vinegar
1 Raspberry Conserve, Canned
1 Junket Tablets
1 Dairy Ice Cream
1 Custard Powder
1 Milk, Condensed, Full Creem, unsweetened
1 Tomato Juice, Canned
1 Condensed Skimmed Milk, sweetened
3 Lard
1 White Pepper
1 Gravy Browning
1 Paracetamol Tablets
1 Zinc Ointment B.P.
1 Fruit Salts
1 Sweets with Clucose
2 Dried Mixed Vegetables
1 Dried Peas
1 Jelly Compound
1 Ice Cream
4 Meat, Canned
1 Skimmed Milk Powder, Dried
1 Cooking Fat
1 Margarine
1 Icing Sugar
1 Fruit, Dried
1 Beef Suet
1 Yoghourt
1 Barley

The County Analyst gave adverse reports on the following samples:-

Type of Samples	Result of Analysis	Action Taken
Junket Tablets	Declaration of colour and flavour separated from the general list of ingredients on packet and the single ingredient 'calcium lactate' declared 'calcium, lactate'.	Packer informed
Dairy Ice Cream	Milk fat content 0.4% and total fat content 4.7%. Should contain at least 5% milk fat and no fat other than milk fat.	Vendor cautioned and further sample obtained
Gravy Browning	Label did not bear the words 'food colour' as required by the Colouring Matter in Food Regulations 1957.	Manufacturer notified
Channel Islands Milk	Contained 0.05 International Unit Penicillin per millimetre.	Dairy informed

MILK SUPPLY

There were 26 distributors of milk registered by the Council at the end of 1965; and they operated from the following premises:

Dairies in the district..... 4

Shops in the district 22

MILK SAMPLING

57 Samples of milk were obtained locally, during the year, the following table shows the results.

	Total	Positive	Negative	No Result
Results:-	24			
(a) Tuberculosis		-	24	-
(b) Brucellosis-Ring Test		9	14	1
(c) Brucellosis-Culture Test		-	-	-
(d) Brucellosis-Biological Tests		-	5	-

	Total	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
(a) Methylene Blue Test	28	17	11
Heat Treated Milk			
(b) Methylene Blue Test	31	31	-
(c) Phosphatase Test	-	-	-
(d) Turbidity Test	2	2	-

Where samples of milk fail to pass the statutory tests, the matter is taken up with the producer or dairy and repeat samples obtained.

In the event of the producer being in another district, the result is passed on to the Public Health Officer for that area, and to the Area Milk Officer of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, who are able to sample at the source.

FACTORY INSPECTIONS

Premises	Number on Register	Number on Inspections	Number of Written notices
Factories, in which Sections 1,2,3,4,&6, are to be enforced by Local Authorities. (Non-mechanical)	2	2	-
Factories not included in the above in which Section 7, is enforced by the Local authorities.	51	925 (Slaughterhouse visits)	-
Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority, (excluding outworkers premises).	-	-	-
Total	53	927	-

CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND

Particulars	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	No. of Prosecutions
Want of cleanliness	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	-	-	-	-	-
SANITARY CONVENIENCES					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	-	-	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
(d) Other offences	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	-	-	-	-	-

SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS

1965

Housing Inspection	63
Housing Inspection (Improvement Grants)	50
Housing Visits (re: Council Houses)	88
Housing Visits (re: Elizabeth Court)	82
Housing Visits (re: applications and lettings)	31
Slaughterhouse Visits	295
Pet Shop Inspections	1
Shop and Office Inspections	5
Food Inspection	26
Piggery Inspection	5
Bakery Inspection	2
Watercourse Inspection	9
Tip Inspection	26
Factory Inspection	1
Disinfestation Visits	39
Visits to Public Conveniences	10
Caravan Sites Visited	3
Animal Boarding Establishments Visited	1
Food Factory Visits	1
Drain Visits	65
Drain Tests	9
Rodent Control Visits	25
Farm Visits (re: samples)	5
Disinfection Visits	5
Housing Visits (re: installation of immersion heaters)	3
Paratyphoid B. Visits	719
Visits (re: vaccination certificates)	5
Suspected Food Poisoning Visits	2
School Visits	4
Welfare Visits	10
Revisits	7
Complaints Investigated and visits made in connection therewith	78
Interviews	81
Infectious Diseases Investigations	173
Specimens submitted to Laboratory	40
No. of Specimens collected	620
Water Samples taken	21
Ice Cream Samples taken	11
Paddling Pool Samples taken	8
Milk Samples taken	104